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3605 Highway 52 North

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

ALLOCATING PROCESSOR RESOURCES

IN A LOGICALLY PARTITIONED

COMPUTER SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This is a preliminary amendment to an original patent application filed April 19, 2001. Please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add new claims 7-16. All currently pending claims are repeated below.

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